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VILLAGE OF BEULAH

Benzie County, Michigan

Audited Financial Statements

For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Village Council Village of Beulah Beulah, MI 49617

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities of the Village of Beulah as of and for the year ended December 31, 2005 as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with accounting standards generally accepted in the United States of America. These standards require that we plan and perform the audit to provide reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the governmental activities of the Village as of December 31, 2005 and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United State of America.

The accompanying statements do not present a management's discussion and analysis, which would be an analysis of the financial performance for the year. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board has determined that this analysis is necessary to supplement, although not required to be a part of the basic financial statements.

The budgetary comparison information on pages 24-28 are not a required part of the basic financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the basic financial statements of the Village of Beulah. The combining non-major fund financial statements are presented for the purpose of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The combining non-major fund financial statements have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

I. L. Stephan Co. F.C.

March 14, 2006

Government Wide Statement of Net Assets December 31, 2005

	Governmental Activities	Business Type Activities	Total
Assets			
Cash and Cash Equivalents	\$ 975,057	\$ 271,049	\$ 1,246,106
Investments	-	-	-
Receivables	21,431	48,480	69,911
Inventory	3,581	-	3,581
Capital Assets - net	545,396	2,319,936	2,865,332
Total Assets	1,545,465	2,639,465	4,184,930
Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	_	_	_
Accrued and Other Liabilities	5,959	_	5,959
Due to Other Funds	-	_	-
Deferred Revenue	21,426	_	21,426
Non-Current Liabilities	,		, -
Due within one year	20,000	60,000	80,000
Due within more than on year	-	904,127	904,127
Total Liabilities	47,385	964,127	1,011,512
Not Appete		-	
Net Assets Invested in Capital Assets - net of related debt	545,396	1,332,809	1,878,205
Restricted	545,390	1,332,609	1,070,200
Debt Service	18,531	214,792	233,323
Unrestricted	934,153	127,737	1,061,890
			
Total Net Assets	\$ 1,498,080	\$ 1,675,338	\$ 3,173,418

Village of Beulah Government Wide

Government Wide Statement of Activities For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

		ı	Program Revenu	es		t (Expense) Reve Changes in Net A	
-			Operating	Capital	Р	rimary Governme	ent
		Charges for	Grants and	Grants and	Governmental	Business-Type	
Functions/Programs	Expenses	Services	Contributions	Contributions	Activities	Activities	Total
Primary Government							
General Government	\$ 126,669	\$ 9,949	\$ -	\$ -	\$ (116,720)		\$ (116,720)
Public Safety	7,972	-	-	-	(7,972)		(7,972)
Public Works	70,399	11,114	52,397	-	(6,888)		(6,888)
Community and Economic Dev.	21,700	1,025	-	-	(20,675)		(20,675)
Recreation and Culture	48,100	81,843	-	-	33,743		33,743
Other Functions	-	-	-	-	-		-
Internal Service	63,833	11,640	-	-	(52,193)		(52,193)
Interest on Long-Term Debt	1,870	-	-	-	(1,870)		(1,870)
Total Governmental Activities	340,543	115,571	52,397	-	(172,575)		(172,575)
Water & Sewer	316,255	194,127	-		-	\$ (122,128)	(122,128)
Total Primary Government	\$ 656,798	\$ 309,698	\$ 52,397	\$ -	(172,575)	(122,128)	(294,703)
		General Revenu	ues				
		Property Taxe	S		197,824	44,676	242,500
		State Shared I	Revenues		32,237	-	32,237
		Sewer Debt Fo	ees		-	38,634	38,634
		Interest			12,451	3,550	16,001
		Refunds			5,168	-	5,168
		Miscellaneous	& Contributions		145,625	-	145,625
		Disposal/Sale	of Assets		(2,617)	-	(2,617)
		Net Transfers	In/(Out)		(50,000)	50,000	-
			Revenues and Tra	nsfers	340,688	136,860	477,548
		Change in Net A	Assets		168,113	14,732	182,845
		Net Assets - B	Beginning		1,329,967	1,660,606	2,990,573
		Net Assets - E	Ending		\$ 1,498,080	\$ 1,675,338	\$ 3,173,418

Governmental Funds Balance Sheet December 31, 2005

Assets	General	<i>Major</i> Streets	Local Streets	Public Improvement Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Non-Major Governmental Funds	Total
Cash - Unrestricted	\$ 522,844	\$ 77.686	\$ 32,420	\$ 252,526	\$ 25,179	\$ 23.582	\$ 934.237
Taxes & Fees Receivable	φ 522,644 19,246	+ 11,222	φ 32, 4 20	φ 232,320	Ф 25,179	+,	+ , -
	,	-	-	-	-	2,180	21,426
Inventory Due from Other Funds	3,581	-	-	-	-	-	3,581
	5	77.000	- 20,400	-	- 25 470	25.700	5
Total Assets	545,676	77,686	32,420	252,526	25,179	25,762	959,249
Liabilities							
Payroll Liabilities	5,959	-	-	-	-	-	5,959
Due to Other Funds	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Deferred Revenue	19,246	-	-	-	-	2,180	21,426
Total Liabilities	25,205			_	-	2,180	27,385
Fund Balances							
Fund Balances - Unreserved	520,471	77,686	32,420	252,526	25,179	23,582	931,864
Total Fund Balances	\$ 520,471	\$ 77,686	\$ 32,420	\$ 252,526	\$ 25,179	\$ 23,582	931,864

Exhibit D

Village of Beulah

Reconciliation of the Balance Sheet to the Statement of Net Assets December 31, 2005

Fund Balance - Total Governmental Funds (Exhibit C)	\$	931,864
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of net assets are different because:		
General Governmental Capital Assets of \$860,075 net of accumulated depreciation of (\$437,220) are not financial resources and not reported in in the funds.		422,855
Internal service funds are used by management to charge the costs of certain activities to individual funds. The assets and liabilities of the internal service fund are included in governmental activities in the statement of net assets		163,361
Some Liabilities, including Bonds Payable, are not due and payable in the current period and therefore are not reported in the fund.		(20,000)
Net Assets of Governmental Activities (Exhibits A & B)	\$ ^	1,498,080

Governmental Fund Statement of Revenue, Expenditures and Changes on Fund Balance For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

_	General Fund	Major Streets Fund	Local Streets Fund	Public Improvement Fund	Capital Projects Fund	Non-Major Governmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds
Revenues	A 170 100	•	•	•	•	A 40.704	A 107.001
Property Taxes	\$ 179,100	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 18,724	\$ 197,824
Licenses & Permits	12,959	-	-	-	-	-	12,959
State Grants	32,237	35,692	16,705	-	-	-	84,634
Charges for Services	81,023	-	-	-	-	-	81,023
Interest Earned	7,407	217	65	4,354	23	246	12,312
Contributions & Donations	2,566	-	-	-	143,059	-	145,625
Reimbursements	19,244	-	-	-	-	-	19,244
Refunds	5,168	-	-	-	-	-	5,168
Miscellaneous Income							
Total Revenues	339,704	35,909	16,770	4,354	143,082	18,970	558,789
Expenditures							
General Government	153,656	-	-	-	-	-	153,656
Public Safety	7,972	-	-	-	-	-	7,972
Public Works	25,030	42,232	63,533	-	-	-	130,795
Community and Economic Dev.	21,700	-	-	-	-	-	21,700
Recreation and Culture	48,937	-	-	-	148,936	-	197,873
Other Functions	-	-	-	-	· <u>-</u>	-	· -
Debt Service	-	-	-	-	_	21,870	21,870
Total Expenditures	257,295	42,232	63,533	-	148,936	21,870	533,866
Excess Revenues Over (Under) Expenditures Other Financing Sources (Uses)	82,409	(6,323)	(46,763)	4,354	(5,854)	(2,900)	24,923
Operating Transfers In	-	33,200	68,575	-	-	-	101,775
Operating Transfers (Out)	(151,775)	, -	, -	-	_	-	(151,775)
Total Other Financing Sources (Uses)	(151,775)	33,200	68,575		_	-	(50,000)
Excess of Revenues and Other Sources Over (Ur							(22,222)
Expenditures and Other Uses	(69,366)	26,877	21,812	4,354	(5,854)	(2,900)	(25,077)
Fund Balance - Beginning	589,837	50,809	10,608	248,172	31,033	26,482	956,941
Fund Balance - Ending	\$ 520,471	\$ 77,686	\$ 32,420	\$ 252,526	\$ 25,179	\$ 23,582	\$ 931,864

Exhibit F

\$ 168,113

Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenue, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

For the Year Ended December 31, 2005	
Change in Fund Balance - Total Governmental Funds (Exhibit E)	\$ (25,077)
Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities (Exhibit B) are different because:	
Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However in the statement of activities the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This is the amount by which capital outlays (\$206,706) exceeds depreciation (\$15,709) in the current period.	190,997
Loss on Un-Depreciatied portion of 1994 roof installation	(1,782)
Payment of Long-Term Debt - Debt Service Fund	20,000
Internal service funds are used by management to charge the costs of certain activites to individual funds. The net revenue (expense) is reported with governmental activities	(16,025)

Change in net assets of governmental activities (Exhibit B)

Proprietary Fund Statement of Net Assets December 31, 2005

	Enterprise	Internal Service		
Assets				
Current Assets				
Cash-Unrestricted	\$ 56,257	\$ 40,820		
Taxes Receivable	4,848	-		
Accounts Receivable	43,632			
Total Current Assets	104,737	40,820		
Non-current Assets				
Cash-Restricted	214,792	-		
Construction in Progress	23,000	-		
Capital Assets - net	2,296,936	122,541		
Total Non-current Assets	2,534,728	122,541		
Total Assets	2,639,465	163,361		
Liabilities				
Bonds Payable	964,127	-		
Due to Other Funds	<u> </u>			
Total Liabilities	964,127			
Net Assets				
Invested in Capital Assets - net of debt	1,332,809	122,541		
Restricted for Debt Service	214,792	,		
Unrestricted	127,737	40,820		
Total Net Assets	\$ 1,675,338	\$ 163,361		

Proprietary Fund Statement of Revenue, Expenses and Changes in Net Assets For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

On anating Revenues	Enterprise	Internal Service
Operating Revenues	Ф 04.000	Φ.
Water Sales	\$ 84,020	\$ -
Sewer Sales	81,480	-
Other Charges & Sales	23,310	-
Rentals	-	50,426
Refunds	5,317	
Total Operating Revenues	194,127	50,426
Operating Expenses		
Personal Services	43,113	8,326
Supplies	17,565	16,804
Contractual Services	29,657	-
Utilities	12,207	-
Repairs & Rentals	63,252	12,472
Other Service & Charges	3,885	5,332
Depreciation	120,968	22,821
Total Operating Expenses	290,647	65,755
Operating Income (Loss)	(96,520)	(15,329)
Non-Operating Revenues (Expenses)		
Property Taxes	44,676	_
Sewer Debt Fees	38,634	_
Interest Earned	3,550	139
Gain (Loss) on Disposal of Assets	-	(835)
Bond Interest Expense	(25,608)	-
	61,252	(696)
		
Income (Loss) Before Transfers	(35,268)	(16,025)
Operating Transfer In	50,000	-
Operating Transfer (Out)	-	-
Net Operating Transfers In (Out)	50,000	
Net Income (Loss)	14,732	(16,025)
Retained Earnings - Beg of Year	1,660,606	179,386
		,
Retained Earnings - End of Year	\$ 1,675,338	\$ 163,361

Proprietary Fund Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

	Ente	erprise	Internal Service	
Cash Flows From Operating Activities Operating income (loss)	\$ ((96,520)	\$	(15,329)
Adjustments to reconcile operating income				
to net cash provided by operating activities	4	00.000		00.004
Depreciation (Increase) decrease in Current Assets	1	20,968		22,821
Taxes Receivable		(152)		_
Accounts Receivable		327		_
Due from Other Funds		-		_
Increase (decrease) in Current Liabilities				
Accounts Payable		-		-
Due to Other Funds		-		-
Net Cash Flows From Operating Activities		24,623		7,492
Cash Flows from Capital and Related				
Financing Activities				
Proceeds of Bond Issue		-		-
Property Tax Revenue		44,676		-
Sewer Debt Fees		38,634		-
Bond Principle Payments	((60,000)		-
Proceeds from Sale of Capital Assets		-		-
Construction in Progress	((23,000)		(44.700)
Acquisition of Capital Assets		(3,556)		(11,780)
Net Transfers	,	50,000		-
Interest Expense Net Cash Flows From Capital and		(25,608) 21,146		(11,780)
Related Financing Activities		21,140		(11,760)
Cash Flows From Investing Activities				
Interest Income		3,550		139
Net Cash Flows From Investing Activities		3,550		139
Net Increase (Decrease) in Cash				
and Cash Equivalents		49,319		(4,149)
Cash and Cash Equivalents at				
Beginning of Year	2	21,730		44,969
End of Year	\$ 2	271,049	\$	40,820

Fiduciary Fund Statement of Net Assets December 31, 2005

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Assets Cash	\$ 5
Due From Other Funds	
Total Assets	 5_
Accounts Payable	-
Due to Other Funds	 <u> </u>
Total Liabilities	 5_
Net Assets Held in Trust	\$

Notes to Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

NOTE 1 – SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial statements of the Village of Beulah have been prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) is the accepted standard setting body for establishing governmental accounting and financial reporting principles. The more significant of the Village's accounting policies are described below.

A. Reporting Entity

The Village of Beulah was incorporated in 1932 as a home rule Village. The Village operates under a charter adopted January 25, 1932, as amended and is governed by an elected President-Council form of government. The Village population as of the 2000 census was 363 and the current state taxable valuation is \$22,439,352.

The criteria established by Statement 14 of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board for determining the various governmental organizations to be included in the reporting entity's financial statements are based primarily on the concept of financial accountability. On this basis, accordingly, the financial statements of certain other governmental organizations are not included in the financial statements of the Village.

Beulah Public Library - The Beulah Public Library is located in the Village Hall Building and serves the general public. The Library Board is not appointed, controlled by or responsible to the Village Council. Library operations and management functions are totally separate from the Village and the Library is required to have a separate audit of its financial statements. Based on these facts, the Village does not consider the Library as part of its reporting entity and does not include the financial activity of the Library Board in these financial statements.

B. Government -Wide Financial Statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statement of net assets and the statement of changes in net assets) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, normally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

Notes to Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment is offset by program revenues. Direct expenses are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. Program revenue includes: (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment; and (2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as general revenue.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

C. Measurement Focus, Basis of Accounting and Financial Statement Presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements. Revenue is recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenue in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the current financial resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenue is recognized as soon as it is both measurable and available. Revenue is considered to be available if it is collected within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 30 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, expenditures relating to compensated absences, and claims and judgments are recorded only when payment is due.

The Village collects property taxes between July 1 and September 15. After this time, the taxes become delinquent and must be paid at the County Treasurer's office. The County pays the Village for uncollected taxes from the proceeds of revolving tax notes. Personal property taxes are the responsibility of the Village to collect. Delinquent real property taxes receivable are offset by deferred revenue on the Village's balance sheet, as these accounts are not normally received within sixty days of year-end, and are therefore not available to finance current operations.

Revenues are recognized in the accounting period in which they become susceptible to accrual; that is when they become both measurable and available to finance expenditures of the fiscal period. Property taxes and state-shared revenue associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenue in the current period. All other revenue items are considered to be available only when the cash is received by the government.

Notes to Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

The local unit reports the following major governmental funds:

General Fund - This Fund is used to account for all financial transactions not accounted for in another fund, including the general operating expenditures of the local unit. Revenues are derived primarily from property taxes, state distributions, and other intergovernmental revenues.

Special Revenue Funds – Special Revenue Funds are used to account for the proceeds of specific revenue sources that are legally restricted to expenditures for specified purposes. The major special revenue funds maintained by the Village are the Major Streets, Local Streets, Public Improvement and Capital Projects Funds

Capital Projects Fund – Capital Project Funds are used to account for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities by governmental units that are not accounted for by proprietary funds and trust funds.

The Village also maintains the following non-major Special Revenue Funds: Water and Sewer Improvement Fund and Debt Service Fund.

The local unit reports the following major proprietary fund:

Enterprise Funds - Enterprise Funds are used to account for operations that are financed and operated in a manner similar to private business enterprises. The Water & Sewer Fund is operated with the intention that the cost of providing water services to the public will be financed or recovered primarily through charges to users.

Additionally, the government reports the following fund types:

Internal Service Fund - Internal Service Funds are used to account for the financing of goods or services provided by one department to other departments on a cost-reimbursement basis. The Village operates a Motor Vehicle Equipment Pool Fund.

Private-sector standards of accounting issued prior to December 1, 1989, are generally followed in both the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements to the extent that those standards do not conflict with the standards of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. The government has elected not to follow private-sector standards issued after November 30, 1989 for its business type activities.

As a general rule, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements. Exceptions to this general rule are changes between the government's sewer function and various other functions of the government. Eliminations of these charges would distort the direct costs and program revenues reported for the various functions concerned.

Notes to Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Amounts reported as program revenue include: (1) charges to customers or applicants for goods, services or privileges provided; (2) operating grants and contributions; and (3) capital grants and contributions, including special assessments. Internally dedicated resources are reported as general revenue rather than as program revenue. Likewise, general revenue includes all taxes.

Proprietary funds distinguish operating revenue and expenses from non-operating items. Operating revenue and expenses generally result from providing services and producing and delivering goods in connection with a proprietary fund's principal ongoing operations. The principal operating revenue of the proprietary fund relates to charges to customers for sales and services, including tap fees intended to recover current costs such as labor and material to hook up new customers. The portion of charges intended to recover the cost of the infrastructure is recognized as non-operating revenue. Operating expenses for proprietary funds include the cost of sales and services, administrative expenses, and depreciation on capital assets. All revenue and expenses not meeting this definition are reported as non-operating revenue and expenses.

D. Assets, Liabilities, and Net Assets or Equity

Bank Deposits and Investments - Cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits, and short-term investments with a maturity of three months or less when acquired. Investments are stated at fair value.

Accounts Receivable - Accounts Receivable are recorded in the Water Fund at the time customers are billed for current services. Uncollected delinquent accounts are placed on the customer's tax bill in the summer and any amounts not collected by the Village are turned over to the County.

Inventories - Proprietary Fund type inventories are considered to be immaterial at year-end, and thus are not reflected in the Financial Statement. General Fund inventories consist of garbage bags to be resold and are recorded at cost.

Vacation and Sick Leave - The Village has a formal personnel policy relating to vacation and sick leave. All vacations must be taken within twelve months of the seniority date. Each employee will be entitled to six days per year sick leave, accumulative up to ninety days. Upon termination of employment, the employee will not receive pay for any unused portion. Because of this, unused sick leave is recognized when paid, and no liability is reflected in the financial statements.

Restricted Assets – The revenue bonds of the enterprise fund require amounts to be set aside for construction, debt service principal and interest, operations and maintenance, and bond reserve. These amounts have been classified as restricted assets.

Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Capital Assets – capital assets, which include property and equipment, are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Generally, capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial individual cost of more than \$500 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

Depreciation has been provided on these fixed assets using the straight line method over there estimated useful lives.

•	Furniture and Office Equipment	5 years
•	Maintenance Equipment	7 years
•	Park Equipment and Structures	10 years
•	Buildings and Improvements	30 years
•	Water & Sewer Fund	10-50 years
•	Motor Vehicle Fund	5-10 years

Long-Term Obligations - In the government-wide financial statements, long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities in the applicable governmental activities statement of net assets.

Fund Equity - In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose. Designations of fund balance represent tentative management plans that are subject to change.

NOTE 2 – STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

A. Budgets

The General Fund and Special Revenue Fund types are under formal budgetary control. Budgets shown in the financial statements for these funds were prepared on a basis not significantly different from the modified accrual basis and used to reflect actual results and consist only of those amounts contained in the formal budget approved and amended by the Village.

In the body of the financial statements the Village's actual expenditures and budgeted expenditures for the budgetary funds have been shown on a function basis. The approved budgets of the Village for these budgetary funds were adopted at the activity level.

Encumbrance accounting is not used and appropriations lapse at year-end.

Notes to Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

NOTE 2 – STEWARDSHIP, COMPLIANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY - continued

B. Budget Compliance

P.A. 621 of 1978, as amended, provides that a local unit shall not incur expenditures in excess of the amount appropriated. For the current year, the Village incurred the following expenditures in excess of the amounts appropriated.

	<u>Budget</u>	Actual	Variance
General Fund: Accounting	\$ 8,500	\$ 9,203	\$ (703)
General Fund: Transfers Out	105,275	151,775	(46,500)

The Capital Projects Fund is a new fund in 2005 maintained for the construction of Trailhead and Visitor Center in the Village. In the prior year, the receipts and disbursements were accounted for in an agency fund because it was undetermined who would "own" the building. During 2005, it was determined the Village would lease the land as well as own and maintain the building. No budget was established and none is required under P.A. 621 of 1978, as amended.

The general obligation bond ordinance allows for a tax levy sufficient to service current debt payments. There is currently a surplus of excess taxes collected in this fund of over \$18,530. The remaining cash needs to pay off the bond is \$20,940.

The 1999 Limited Tax Bond allows for a tax levy or debt fee sufficient to service current debt payments. There is currently a surplus of excess fees collected in this fund of approximately \$188,777. The total bond principal due over the next 15 years is only \$110,000.

NOTE 3 - DEPOSITS WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

A. Legal or Contractual Provisions for Deposits and Investments

The Michigan Political Subdivisions Act No. 20, Public Acts of 1943 as amended by act No. 217, Public Acts of 1982 and Public Act 196 of 1997, states the Village, by resolution, may authorize the Treasurer to invest surplus funds as follows:

- 1. In bonds and other direct obligations of the United States or an agency or instrumentality of the United States.
- 2. In certificates of deposit, savings accounts, deposit accounts, or depository receipts of a financial institution, but only if the financial institution complies with subsection 2.
- In commercial paper rated at the time of purchase within the 2 highest classifications established by not less than 2 standard rating services and which matures not more than 270 days after the date of purchase.
- 4. In banker's acceptances of United States banks.
- 5. In mutual funds composed of investment vehicles that are legal for direct investment by local units of government in Michigan.

Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

NOTE 3 - DEPOSITS WITH FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS - continued

B. Types of Deposits and Investments

The Village maintains all its surplus funds with local banks in the form of savings/checking accounts and certificates of deposit. Interpreting FDIC rules regarding the \$100,000 insurance limit to apply separately to the demand and time deposits of public units, GASB statement 3 risk disclosures for the Village are as follows:

Category 1 Insured or collateralized with securities held by the entity or its agent in the entity's name.

Category 2 Collateralized with securities held by the pledging financial institution's trust department or agent in entity's name.

Category 3 Un-collateralized

			Ca	tegory	
	<u>Balance</u>	1		2	3
Cash Deposits	\$ 1,246,111	\$ 100,000	\$	-	\$ 1,146,111
Cash Equiv.		 			
Total	<u>\$ 1,246,111</u>	\$ 100,000	\$		<u>\$ 1,146,111</u>

At year-end, the Local Unit's cash deposits and cash equivalents were reported in the basic financial statements in the following categories:

		4 <i>mount</i>
Governmental Activities	\$	949,878
Business Type Activities		271,049
Fiduciary Funds		25,184
•		
Total Deposits	\$ 1	1.246.111

NOTE 4 - SUMMARY OF CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity or the primary government for the current year is summarized as follows:

Governmental Activities

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Deletions	Ending Balance
Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated				
Land	\$ 29,781	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 29,781
Construction in Progress	<u>31,033</u>	<u> 147,591</u>		<u>178,624</u>
	60,814	147,591		208,405

Village of Beulah Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

NOTE 4 - SUMMARY OF CAPITAL ASSETS - continued

	Beginning Balance	Additions	Deletions	Ending Balance
Capital Assets Being Depreciated				
Land Improvements Buildings & Improvements	69,497 288,902	10,350 24,565	- (2,814)	79,847 310,653
Equipment	188,123	-	-	188,123
Roads/Paving Internal Service Fund-	48,847	24,200	-	73,047
Motor Vehicle Equip.	298,322	<u>11,780</u>	(3,424)	306,678
	<u>893,691</u>	70,895	(6,238)	958,348
Accumulated Depreciation				
Land Improvements Buildings	(19,161) (236,458)	(2,386) (6,037)	- 1,032	(21,547) (241,463)
Equipment	(165,652)	(4,239)	-	(169,891)
Roads/Paving Internal Service Fund-	(1,272)	(3,047)	-	(4,319)
Motor Vehicle Equip.	<u>(163,905)</u>	(22,821)	2,589	<u>(184,137)</u>
	(586,448)	(38,530)	3,621	(621,357)
Net Capital Assets being Depreciated	307,243	32,365	(2,617)	336,991
Total Capital Assets of Governmental Activities – Net of Depreciation	<u>\$ 368,057</u>	<u>\$ 179,956</u>	<u>\$ (2,617)</u>	<u>\$ 545,396</u>
Business-Type Activities				
<u>Business Type Notivities</u>	Beginning Balance	Additions	Deletions	Ending Balance
Capital Assets Not Being Depreciated				_
Construction in Progress	\$ -	\$ 23,000	\$ -	\$ 23,000
Capital Assets Being Depreciated				
Water Plant & Systems	1,304,743	-	-	1,304,743
Sewage System	2,649,566	<u>3,556</u>		2,653,122
	3,954,309	3,556		3,957,865

Notes to Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

NOTE 4 - SUMMARY OF CAPITAL ASSETS - continued

	Beginning <u>Balance</u>	Additions	Deletions	Ending Balance
Accumulated Depreciation Water Plant & Systems Sewage System	(559,351) (980,610)	(39,678) (81,290)	<u>-</u>	(599,029) <u>(1,061,900)</u>
	(1,539,961)	(120,968)		(1,660,929)
Net Capital Assets being Depreciated	2,414,348	(117,412)		2,296,936
Total Capital Assets of Governmental Activities – Net of Depreciation	<u>\$ 2,414,348</u>	<u>\$ (94,412)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>	<u>\$ 2,319,936</u>

Depreciation expense in the current year was charged to programs of the primary government as follows:

Governmental Activities General Government Public Works Recreation and Culture Internal Service Fund- unallocated	\$ 3,507 4,034 8,168 22,821
Total Governmental Activities	\$ 38,530
Business-Type Activities Water & Sewer System	\$ 120,968
Total Business-Type Activities	\$ 120,968

NOTE 5 - LONG-TERM DEBT

The following is a summary of transactions that occurred in bonds payable during the year ended December 31, 2005:

	1988 GO Debt Bonds	1999 Limited Tax Sewer Bonds	1999 Unlimited Tax Sewer Bonds
Beginning Balances New Issues Debt Payments	\$ 40,000 - (20,000)	\$ 115,000 - (5,000)	\$ 909,127 - (55,000)
Ending Balance	\$ 20,000	<u>\$ 110,000</u>	<u>\$ 854,127</u>

Notes to Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

NOTE 5 - LONG-TERM DEBT - continued

Amount required to amortize long-term debt:

				1999	1	999
	19	988 GO	L	.imited	Ur	nlimited
		Debt		Tax	Ta	x Sewer
		Bonds		Bonds		<u>Bonds</u>
Year Ending						
2006	\$	20,940	\$	7,750	\$	76,353
2007		-		7,625		74,978
2008		-		7,500		73,603
2009		-		7,375		72,228
2010		-		7,250		70,853
2011-2015		-		53,625		357,891
2015-2019				42,500		<u>297,040</u>
Total Payments		20,940		33,625		022,946
Less: Interest		<u>(940)</u>		(23,625 <u>)</u>		<u>(168,819)</u>
Total	\$	20.000	\$	110.000	\$	854,127
l otal	\$	20,000	\$ '	<u>110,000</u>	\$	<u>854,127</u>

1988 General Obligation Water and Sewer Improvement Bonds

On February 19, 1987, the Village issued bonds in the principal amount of \$285,000 for the purpose of defraying a part of the cost of constructing Water and Sewer System improvements. The principal retirements are due November 1 with interest of payable November 1 and May 1 each year. Listed below is a schedule of annual principle requirements and interest rates:

2006 \$ 20,000 4.7%

1999 General Obligation Sewer Improvement Bonds

On August 5, 1999, the Village approved bonds in the principal amount of \$1,340,000 for the purpose of defraying a part of the cost of constructing Sewer System improvements. The bonds are payable through an annual property tax levy and special user fee sufficient to pay the interest and principal as they fall due.

1999 General Obligation Limited Tax Bonds - Interest payable October 1 and April 1 of each year, with principal (\$140,000) due on October 1 of each year as follows:

2006 – 2011	\$ 5,000 per year	2.50%
2012 – 2019	10.000 per vear	2.50%

Notes to Financial Statements
For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

NOTE 5 - LONG-TERM DEBT - continued

1999 General Obligation Unlimited Tax Sewer Bonds - Interest payable October 1 and April 1 of each year, with principal (\$1,200,000) due on October 1 of each year as follows:

2006 - 2008	55,000 per year	2.50%
2009 - 2011	60,000 per year	2.50%
2012 - 2014	65,000 per year	2.50%
2015 - 2017	70,000 per year	2.50%
2018 - 2019	75,000 per year	2.50%

NOTE 6 - RETIREMENT PLANS

A SIMPLE IRA Plan was made available to all Village employees beginning in January of 2002. Employees may contribute a portion of their annual wages before taxes to the Plan. The Village matches employee contributions up to 3% of gross wages. The contribution expense for the year ended December 31, 2005 was \$1,288.

NOTE 7 – LEASES

The Friends of the Betsie Valley Trail, Rotary charities and the Village joined to build a visitors' center at the Betsie Valley trailhead in the Village of Beulah. The building is built on property owned by the State of Michigan and leased to the Village of Beulah. The initial term of the lease is 25 years beginning July 1, 2005 with no lease payment. However, the Village is responsible for the maintenance and upkeep of the building according to the terms of the lease. For 2006, the Village has budgeted for the maintenance as part of its buildings and grounds budget activity in the general fund of the Village.

NOTE 8 – RISK MANAGEMENT

The Village pays an annual premium to Michigan Municipal Underwriters for its general insurance coverage through the Michigan Township Participating Plan. The Village carries coverage for property damage, liability, wrongful acts, automobile, crime, and inland marine claims. Also, the Village carries worker's compensation insurance with Accident Fund of Michigan. Settled claims resulting from these risks have not exceeded commercial insurance coverage in any of the past three fiscal years. The Village carries health insurance with Michigan Municipal League.

Notes to Financial Statements For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

NOTE 9 – PRIOR PERIOD ADJUSTMENT

As discussed in Notes 4 and 7, the Village joined with the Friends of the Betsie Valley Trail and Rotary Charities to build a visitors' center at the Betsie Valley Trailhead. In the prior year, the receipts and disbursements for the new center were recoded in an agency fund. Based on new facts and conditions not existing in the prior year, the construction of the new building should more properly be accounted for in a capital projects fund. Therefore, governmental revenues and expenditures were understated in the prior year by \$40,750 and \$9,717 respectively. The following is a summary and reconciliation of current beginning governmental fund balances and governmental activity net assets:

Prior Year Ending Fund Balance Capital Projects Fund Balance	\$	925,908 31,033
Corrected Governmental Fund Balance December 31, 2004		956,941
Adjustments to Reconcile Net Assets Long-Term Debt Payments Internal Service Fund Net Assets General Fixed Assets – Net Construction In Progress Visitors' Center	_	(40,000) 179,386 202,607 31,033
Corrected Governmental Activities – Net Assets – December 31, 2004	<u>\$ ´</u>	1,329,967

NOTE 10 – COMMITMENTS

The Village is in the process of planning and engineering improvements to its water and sewer system. The Village expects to issue bonds to fund the improvements estimated to cost 2.2 million dollars. To date, the Village has incurred approximately \$23,000 in costs related to the engineering and planning of the new project.



Budgetary Comparison Schedule General Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

	Original	Amended		Favorable
	Budget	Budget	Actual	(Unfavorable)
Beginning Fund Balance	\$ 589,837	\$ 589,837	\$ 589,837	\$ -
Resources (Inflows)				
Property Taxes-Current	155,000	155,000	150,929	(4,071)
Property Tax-Delinquent	18,000	18,000	17,857	(143)
Personal Property Tax	5,000	5,000	5,375	375
Personal Property Tax-Deling.	-	-	438	438
Property Tax Admin Fees	2,000	2,000	2,577	577
Interest/Penalty on Taxes	-	-	1,924	1,924
Dock Permits	10,000	10,000	11,934	1,934
Zoning Fees	1,000	1,000	1,025	25
State Shared Revenue	32,000	32,000	32,237	237
Trailer Park Fees	70,000	70,000	69,540	(460)
Trailer Park Ice Sales	600	600	369	(231)
Refuse Collection Fees	10,000	10,000	11,114	1,114
Interest Earned	4,000	4,000	7,407	3,407
Rents & Royalties	6,000	6,000	-	(6,000)
Contributions & Donations	-	-	2,566	2,566
Reimbursed Labor & Benefits	15,000	15,000	19,244	4,244
Refunds	1,500	1,500	5,168	3,668
Miscellaneous Income	1,000	1,000	-	(1,000)
Transfers from Other Funds				
Total Available for Appropriation	920,937	920,937	929,541	8,604
Charges to Appropriations (Outfl	ows)			
General Government	•			
Village Council	19,200	19,200	16,122	3,078
Elections	-	-	-	-
Accounting	8,500	8,500	9,203	(703)
Clerk	13,800	13,800	12,503	1,297
Treasurer	12,900	12,900	11,055	1,845
Village Hall & Grounds	61,400	61,400	52,703	8,697
Other General Government	62,500	62,500	52,070	10,430
Public Safety				
Police Department	25,000	15,000	7,972	7,028
Public Works				
Street Lights	12,000	12,000	10,339	1,661
Sanitation	17,000	17,000	14,691	2,309
Community & Economic Developme	ent			
Zoning	12,600	22,600	21,700	900
Planning Commission	300	300	-	300

Schedule 1

Village of Beulah

Budgetary Comparison Schedule General Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

	Original Budget	Amended Budget	Actual	Favorable (Unfavorable)
Parks & Recreation	59,450	59,450	48,937	10,513
Other Expenditures				
Contingencies	-	-		-
Transfers to Other Funds	105,275	105,275	151,775	(46,500)
Total Charges to Appropriations	409,925	409,925	409,070	855
Budgetary Fund Balance	\$ 511,012	\$ 511,012	\$ 520,471	\$ 9,459

Budgetary Comparison Schedule Major Streets Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

	Original Amended Budget Budget		Original Amended Budget Budget Actual			Favorable (Unfavorable)		
Beginning Fund Balance	\$ 50,809	\$ 50,809	\$ 50,809	\$ -				
Resources (Inflows)	φ σσ,σσσ	Ψ 00,000	ψ 00,000	•				
State Gas & Weight	32,000	32,000	30,418	(1,582)				
Snow Removal Reimbursement	4,000	4,000	5,274	1,274				
Interest & Dividends Earned	100	100	217	117				
Miscellaneous Income	_	-	-	-				
Transfers from Other Funds	33,200	33,200	33,200					
Total Available for Appropriation	120,109	120,109	119,918	(191)				
Charges to Appropriations (Out	flows)							
Construction	10,000	10,000	-	10,000				
Routine Maintenance	18,000	18,000	17,125	875				
Traffic Services	1,000	1,000	650	350				
Winter Maintenance	30,500	30,500	24,138	6,362				
Administration	2,800	2,800	319	2,481				
Contingency	-	-	-	-				
Transfers to Other Funds								
Total Charges to Appropriations	62,300	62,300	42,232	20,068				
Budgetary Fund Balance	\$ 57,809	\$ 57,809	\$ 77,686	\$ 19,877				

Budgetary Comparison Schedule Local Streets Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

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	Origina	al A	mended				vorable	
	Budge	et	Budget	Actual		(Unf	(Unfavorable)	
Beginning Fund Balance	\$ 10,6	\$ 808	10,608	\$	10,608	\$	-	
Resources (Inflows)								
State Gas & Weight	12,0	000	12,000		11,731		(269)	
Snow Removal Reimbursement	4,0	000	4,000		4,974		974	
Interest & Dividends Earned		25	25		65		40	
Miscellaneous Income		-	-		-		-	
Transfers from Other Funds	68,5	575	68,575		68,575		-	
						,		
Total Available for Appropriation	95,2	208	95,208		95,953		745	
Charges to Appropriations (Outf	lows)							
Construction	35,0	000	35,000		24,404		10,596	
Routine Maintenance	20,0	000	20,000		18,206		1,794	
Traffic Services	5	500	500		456		44	
Winter Maintenance	25,6	650	25,650		20,169		5,481	
Administration	1,4	150	1,450		298		1,152	
Contingency		-	-				-	
Transfers to Other Funds			-					
Total Charges to Appropriations	82,6	000	82,600		63,533		19,067	
Budgetary Fund Balance	\$ 12,6	<u>\$</u>	12,608	\$	32,420	\$	19,812	

Budgetary Comparison Schedule Public Improvement Fund For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

	Original Budget	Amended Budget	Actual	Favorable (Unfavorable)
Beginning Fund Balance	\$ 248,172	\$ 248,172	\$ 248,172	\$ -
Resources (Inflows)				
Property Taxes	-	-	-	-
Interest & Dividends Earned	2,500	2,500	4,354	1,854
Contributions & Donations	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous Income	-	-	-	-
Transfers from Other Funds				
Total Available for Appropriation	250,672	250,672	252,526	1,854
Charges to Appropriations (Out	flows)			
Supplies	-	-	-	-
Miscellaneous Expense	-	-	-	-
Contingency	-	-	-	-
Transfers to Other Funds				
Total Charges to Appropriations				
Budgetary Fund Balance	\$ 250,672	\$ 250,672	\$ 252,526	\$ 1,854



Combining Balance Sheet Non-Major Governmental Funds December 31, 2005

Assets	Water Debt & Sewer Service Improvement Fund		Total Non-Major Governmental Funds	
Cash Taxes Receivable Due from Other Funds	\$ 5,051 - -	\$ 18,531 2,180	\$ 23,582 2,180	
Total Assets	\$ 5,051	\$ 20,711	\$ 25,762	
Liabilities and Fund Equity				
Accounts Payable Deferred Revenue	\$ - -	\$ - 2,180	\$ - 2,180	
Due to Other Funds Fund Balance	- 5,051	18,531	23,582	
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	\$ 5,051	\$ 20,711	\$ 25,762	

Combining Statement of Revenue, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance Non-Major Governmental Funds For the Year Ended December 31, 2005

	Water & Sewer Improvement		Debt Service Fund		Total Non-Major Governmental Funds	
Revenues						
Taxes and Penalties	\$	-	\$	18,724	\$	18,724
Charges for Services		-		-		-
Interest and Rentals		18		228		246
Other Revenue						
Total Revenues		18		18,952		18,970
Expenditures						
General Government		-		-		-
Public Safety		-		-		-
Recreational & Culture		-		-		-
Other		-		-		-
Debt Service				21,870		21,870
Total Expenditures				21,870	·	21,870
Excess Revenues (Expenditures)		18		(2,918)		(2,900)
Other Financing Sources and (Uses) Operating Transfers In		-		-		-
Operating Transfers (Out)						
Total Other Financing Sources and Uses		_		-		-
Excess Revenues (Expenditures) and Other Sources (Uses)		18		(2,918)		(2,900)
Fund Balance - Beginning Or Year		5,033		21,449		26,482
Fund Balance - End of Year	\$	5,051	\$	18,531	\$	23,582



Comments and Recommendations

We have audited the combined financial statements of the Village of Beulah for the year ended December 31, 2005 and issued our report thereon dated March 14, 2006. As part of our examination, we considered the Village's internal control structure. Our study and evaluation was more limited than would be necessary to express an opinion on the system of internal accounting control taken as a whole. Because the study and evaluation were only part of the overall audit plan regarding the financial statements, it was not intended to be a complete review of all of your accounting procedures and therefore, would not necessarily disclose all weaknesses in the system.

In a continuing effort to improve the accounting system, financial reporting, and overall management, we offer the following comments and recommendations for you to consider.

Water & Sewer Customer Revenues and Receivables

We noted the January through March billings were not posted to the general ledger. It appears the former Treasurer did not review or analyze monthly financial reports. The Treasurer should review the financial statements to ensure the quarterly billings are posted. Any discrepancies should be resolved as soon as possible.

1999 Limited Tax Bank Account

This account is used to account for water and sewer debt service fees and make payments for Bond Issue #5146-01B. The balance in the bank account is \$188,777 and cash needs for 2006 is \$7,750. There is only \$110,000 in bond principal remaining. We recommend the Village suspend debt service fees for this bond issue and pay all of the 1999 Limited Tax Bonds early.

Currently, the Village levies approximately \$44,800 in taxes and charges customers approximately \$38,600 to pay for sewer debt. Cash reserves are sufficient to retire the all of the 1999 Limited Tax bonds. Levies and charges are more than sufficient to maintain the yearly debt service on the 1999 Unlimited Tax bonds of approximately \$75,000. We recommend the Village review its tax levy and customer charges and make adjustments as required to maintain debt service and the required reserve.

Budgeting

We noted only two budget centers were over expended for the year and have seen increased care in reviewing the budgets in recent years. However, P.A. 621 of 1978, Section 18 (1), as amended, provides that a local unit shall amend a budget when needed to prevent over expenditure and we recommend the Village continue its diligence to ensure there are no future budgetary violations. This is a repeat comment from the prior year.

Water and Sewer Operating Loss

The Water and Sewer Fund had an operating loss of approximately \$96,520 in the current year. However, cash provided by operations was approximately \$24,600. The difference is primarily depreciation charged to operations. The board should be commended for their efforts to reverse the operating deficits and cash flows in prior years.

Tax Collections/Disbursements

We noted miscellaneous amounts due and from in the tax account after final disbursement. None of the amounts were material, however, greater care should be taken to reconcile and disburse correct amounts from the tax account.

Comments and Recommendations

Trailhead/Welcome Center

Based on new facts, the receipts and disbursements for the Visitors' Center at the Betsie Valley trailhead should be accounted for in a capital projects fund. When construction is complete and all related invoices paid, any remaining funds should be transferred to the general fund. Any fund usage restrictions imposed by donors must be followed.

Closing Comments

We are happy to discuss any of these recommendations and assist in their implementation. As a matter of course, we will forward these statements to the State Treasury Department. This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Village of Beulah's management, and others within the organization. Should any questions arise regarding these financial statements or the conduct of our audit, please call upon us.